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PASS COMMERCE FOR BOURDON (MARAD); LABOR FOR SEGALL, AVERY,
QUACKENBUSH AND LINSENMAYER

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: ILO MARITIME CONFERENCE: GOVT GROUP ELECTS CONFERENCE OFFICERS

1. ON AFTERNOON OCT 13, GOVERNMENT GROUP NOMINATED AND
PLENARY APPROVED THE FOLLOWING SELECTIONS: KHALAPSIN (UKRAINE)
AS GOVERNMENT VP OF CONFERENCE; LOMBERA PALLARES (MEXICO),
CHAIRMAN; SELDCTION COMMITTEE; GRIFFIN (VENEZUELA), CHAIRMAN,
GOVERNMENT GROUP; TREGILLIS (AUSTRALIA), CHAIRMAN OF RESOLUTIONS
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COMMITTEE; MINISTER OF LABOR AMEDUME OF GHANA, CHAIRMAN OF

COMMITTEE ON CONTINUITY OF EMPLOYMENT; FRIEDBERG (USA), CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON YOUNG SEAFARERS; VELDKAMP (NETHERLANDS), CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON SUBSTANDARD VESSELS; AND INCIONG (PHILIPPINES), CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON HOLIDAYS WITH PAY. LIBERIA WILL SERVE AS GOVERNMENT MEMBER AND CHAIRMAN OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.

2. SELECTION OF GOVT VICE PRESIDENT. IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WITHDRAWAL OF NASZKOWSKI, SOVIETS MADE KNOWN EE BLOC INTENTION TO NOMINATE UKRAINIAN FOR POSITION OF GOVT VP. HOWEVER, AFRICAN GROUP BEGAN CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY OF SAME POSITION. WE TOOK POSITION IN CORRIDORS THAT A) SINCE EE REP MADE RACE FOR PRESIDENT, BLOCK HAD CHOSEN NOT TO SEEK GOVT VICE-PRESIDENCY; AND B) SINCE WE DID NOT ACCEPT PRACTICE OF NAMING EE REP AS GOVT VP, WE WOULD AWAIT AFRICAN GROUP DECISION. ALTHOUGH THE MINISTER OF LABOR FROM GHANA COULD PROBABLY HAVE WON POSITION, AFRICAN GROUP DECIDED NOT TO PRESS HIS CANDIDACY. IN STATEMENT SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION OF UKRAINIAN, SIERRA LEONE MINISTER OF LABOR LAMIN REFERRED TO FAIR GEOGRAPHIC REPRESENTATION AS BEING A "PRINCIPLE OF ILO SINCE 1919."

3. SELECTION COMMITTEE COMPOSITION DETERMINED BY TAKING THE TITULAR MEMBERS OF THE GB AT THE CONFERENCE (22) AND 6 DEPUTY GB MEMBERS ACCORDING TO GROSS TONNAGE RANKING. THIS PROCEDURE, ONE OF THREE ALTERNATIVES, WAS ENDORSED BY THE U.S. IN CONSULTATIONS WITH THE SECRETARIAT.

4. USDEL HAS HIGH-LEVEL REPRESENTATION AT CONFERENCE: WORKER DELEGATE SHEPARD IS WORKER VIP OF CONFERENCE; EMPLOYER DELEGATE REYNOLDS IS VICE CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON YOUNG SEAFARERS; WORKER ADVISER SPECTOR IS VICE CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON HOLIDAYS WITH PAY; AND USG ADVISER FREIDBERG IS CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON YOUNG SEAFARERS. CATTO

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